

State of Michigan
State Board of Education

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF
MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT STAFF**

WHEREAS, the professional support staff are among the Michigan Department of Education's most valuable resources; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education believes that continued recognition and acknowledgment of the Department's professional support staff is extremely important; and

WHEREAS, Department of Education professional support staff members, often without a great deal of fanfare or daily recognition, work tirelessly to ensure that citizens are served in a courteous manner; and

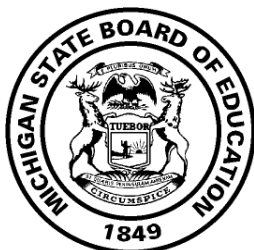
WHEREAS, in recent years, the State Board of Education and the Michigan Department of Education, have continued to support ways that increase the profile of its outstanding professional support staff, through such awards as the Stella Gikas Professional Support Staff Excellence Award; and

WHEREAS, professional support staff add to the credibility of the Department of Education, through their accomplished expertise and high quality work; and

WHEREAS, providing for the recognition of staff leads to higher morale of the entire Department of Education and a healthy workplace; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education expresses its deepest appreciation and gratitude to the professional support staff of the Michigan Department of Education; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education supports all efforts, training, and resources available to Department professional support staff so that they may continue to be productive, happy, and healthy workers and contributors to the agency's continued success.



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